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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ESTC, UK

SUBJECT: MAXIMILIAN PREISTER DOING BUSINESS AS BRITISH  
SAROCAL LTD., HANDRAIL HOUSE, MAYGROVE ROAD, LONDON  
N.W. 6, 2 E.G., U.K.

REF: OEA/CD INVESTIGATIVE CASE 11(78)-10 FPO

1. TRADE SOURCE ADVISED OEA/CD THAT SUBJECT, DURING  
RECENT FLORIDA VISIT, CONTACTED SALES REPRESENTATIVE OF  
U.S. ELECTRONICS FIRM. WAS INTERESTED IN BUYING STRATEGIC-  
RATED ELECTRON TUBES.

2. SALES REP CONCERNED THAT ANY GOODS SOLD TO SUBJECT  
MIGHT BE ILLEGALLY DIVERTED TO PROSCRIBED DESTINATION(S).  
SUBJECT CHARACTERIZED AS "FOREIGN AGENT WHO WILL SELL  
ANYTHING TO ANYONE."

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3. SUBJECT'S TITLE IS EXPORT DIRECTOR OF SUBJECT FIRM.  
ALSO, REPORTEDLY OPERATES B.S.L. EXPRESS SERVICES LTD.  
AT SAME ADDRESS.

4. NO CURRENT WTDR ON FILE FOR SUBJECT FIRM OR B.S.L.

NEITHER FIRM LISTED IN D AND B LONDON REGISTER, 1977/78

STANDARD EDITION.

5. BACKGROUND. OEA/CD INDICES CONTAIN REFERENCE TO LONDON FIRM, BRITISH SAROZAL LTD. FIRM BROUGHT TO OEA/CD ATTENTION IN 1973. LONDON'S 9582, DATED 8/20/73, REPORTED THAT MR. WHITBY, DTI LICENSING BRANCH, ADVISED THAT FIRM IN POSSESSION U.S.-ORIGIN ELECTRON TUBES (KLYSTRONS). SOUGHT DTI PERMISSION TO TRANSSHIP TO YUGOSLAVIA. WHITBY SUSPECTED TUBES DESTINED FOR OTHER EAST EUROPEAN DESTINATION(S). OEA/CD FILES SILENT ON OUTCOME THIS MATTER.

6. SUBSEQUENT TRANSACTION INVOLVING SAROZAL WAS PURCHASE ELECTRON TUBE IN 1975. FIRM SHOWN ON LICENSE APPLICATION AS ULTIMATE CONSIGNEE. EMBASSY'S FAVORABLE PRE-LICENSE CHECK (LONDON 17478, DATED 11/13/75) PARTLY BASED ON INTERVIEW WITH FIRM'S MANAGING DIRECTOR, J.M.TRIESTER.

7. WTDR PREPARED ON FIRM (LONDON 16712, DATED 10/31/75) SHOWS DIRECTOR'S NAME SPELLED TREISTER. (THIS WTDR REPLACED AN UNFAVORABLE WTDR DATED APRIL 1972.) END BACKGROUND.

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8. DETERMINE IF SUBJECT INDIVIDUAL AND FIRM SAME AS THOSE MENTIONED ABOVE IN BACKGROUND PARAGRAPHS.

9. QUERY APPROPRIATE U.K. AUTHORITIES RE SUBJECT INDIVIDUAL/FIRM AND BRITISH SAROZAL/TRIESTER OR TREISTER. ALSO, INQUIRE ABOUT B.S.L. EXPRESS LTD.

10. PLEASE CABLE RESULTS OF INQUIRIES. VANCE

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